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TOHONO O'ODHAM MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO POSSESSION OF STOLEN FIREARMS

TUCSON, Ariz. - Kendrick Frank, 22, of Anegam, Ariz. on the Tohono O'Odham Indian Reservation, pleaded guilty to possession of stolen firearms in federal district court in Tucson. Frank had been charged along with a co-defendant of having possessed three stolen firearms which, along with other items, had been taken in a residential burglary in Komelick Village on the Tohono O'odham Nation.

In his plea agreement, Frank agreed to serve between 18 and 24 months in prison and to pay \$1,100 restitution for damages resulting from the burglary. Sentencing is set before U.S. District Court Judge Raner C. Collins on February 26, 2008. A conviction for possession of stolen firearms carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine or both. In determining an actual sentence, the Judge Collins will consult the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges. The judge, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining a sentence.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Tohono O'odham Police Department. The prosecution is being handled by David P. Flannigan, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz..

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